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INTERNATION NO. PCT/FR00/00553			INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE March 6, 2000	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED March 11, 1999	
TITLE OF INVENTION: USE OF SUPERABSORBENT POLYMERS FOR TREATMENT OF RAW HIDE, CORRESPONDING COMPOSITIONS AND PROCESS, AND HIDES THUS TREATED					
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This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. (THE BASIC FILING FEE IS ATTACHED)					
2. 🗆		This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.			
3. 🗵	This express request to begin national examination procedures [35 U.S.C. 371(f)] at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).				
4. 🖸	A proper o	A proper demand for International Preliminary Amendment was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.			
5. 🖸	a. ⊠ is	=			
6. 🗵] A translati	A translation of the International Application into English [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)].			
7. 🖸	a.	 b. have been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. 			
8. 🗀] A translat	A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)].			
9. 🗆		An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)].			
10.	A translat [35 U.S.C	A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)].			
Items 11 - 16 below concern other document(s) or information included:					
11. 🖸					
12.] An assigi	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included.			
13.	A FIRST A SECO	A FIRST preliminary amendment. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.			
14. [] A substite	A substitute specification.			
15.	_	A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.			
16. 🛭	Other items or information: ☑ Copy of International Application No. WO 00/53816; PCT/ISA/210 and References cited; PCT/IPEA/409 (French Language) and PCT/IPEA/408 (French Language) Drawings (☑ sheets Figs. 1-3 with 3 sheets)				



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The following fees are submitted: Basic National Fee [37 C.F.R. 1.492(a)(1)-(5)]: Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO.....\$860.00 International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482).....\$690.00 No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) but international search fee paid to USPTO [37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)].....\$710.00 Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) or international search fee [37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)] paid to USPTO.....\$1,000.00 International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4).....\$ 100.00 ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT = \$ 860.00 Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 🔲 20 🔲 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date [37 C.F.R. 1.492(e)]. Number Extra Rate Number Filed Claims \$ 216.00 X \$ 18.00 32 - 20 =12 **Total Claims** \$ X \$80.00 0 3 - 3 =Independent Claims \$ + \$270.00 Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable) \$1,076.00 TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = Reduction by one-half for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity statement must also be filed. (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). \$ 1,076.00 SUBTOTAL = Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later the 20 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date [37 C.F.R. 1.492(f)]. \$ 1,076.00 TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = Fee for recording the enclosed assignment [37 C.F.R. 1.21(h)]. The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property \$1,076.00 TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = Amount to be refunded \$ \$ Charged

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do solemnly and sincerely declare:

- 1. That I am well acquainted with both the English and French languages, and
- 2. That the attached document is a true and correct translation of the specification accompanying the application for patent made in International Application No. PCT/FR00/00553 filed on March 6, 2000.

AND that I make this declaration conscientiously believing the statements contained herein to be true in every particular.

SIGNED this 10th day of September 2001.

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It is hereby certified that the foregoing New U.S. national Stage of PCT/FR00/00553 entitled USE OF SUPERABSORBENT POLYMERS FOR TREATMENT OF RAW HIDE, CORRESPONDING COMPOSITIONS AND PROCESS, AND HIDES THUS TREATED is being deposited on the 11th day of September 2001 with the U.S. Postal Service addressed as follows: Hon. Assistant Commissioner of Trademarks, 2900 Crystal drive, Arlington, VA 22707

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